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(SBU) In a February 18 demarche on the Venezuela/Guatemala Security Council candidacies (ref C) and other issues, Pol/Econ chief discussed with MFA International Organizations Department Chief Ambassador Talib bin Miran al-Raisi the upcoming election of a new UN Secretary General and candidates for the Organizational Committee (OC) of the new UN Peacebuilding Commission. Ambassador al-Raisi said he was aware of several states lobbying for their UNSYG candidates, including Thailand and Sri Lanka. P/E Chief briefly summarized the qualifications the USG is looking for in both UNSYG and OC candidates (refs B, C). Ambassador al-Raisi took note, remarking that the USG's criteria appeared very reasonable.
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